Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 18 Nov 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 19 Nov 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 17 Nov 2023 at 16:15 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High becoming Medium in detail from Sunday.

Headline for Saturday 18 Nov 2023: Heavy showers. Windy over the summits.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 18 Nov 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Medium Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Heavy snow	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability							
30%	60%	80%	70%	60%	60%	60%	60%

Forecast for Saturday 18 Nov 2023

Weather: Overnight rain with summit snow. Outbreaks of heavy, showery, rain during daylight hours, the risk of the odd rumble of thunder. The heaviest and most persistent rain will be across Skye, Knoydart and Torridon with a few drier and brighter spells for Assynt and the north, the cloud thinning and breaking here at times in the afternoon. Outbreaks of heavy, showery, rain continuing during the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% for Skye and the south, rising to 60% for at time in the afternoon across the north.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud, base 600 to 900m, patches or occasional to 300m, thinning and breaking at times across the north in the afternoon. Visibility moderate or good, falling poor or very poor in cloud and heavy rain.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	35/40 SE	35/42 SE	36/44 SE	33/39 SE	28/34 SE	27/32 SE	27/32 S	22/27 SE	26/33 SW
900	31/37 SE	32/39 SE	33/41 SE	29/35 SE	25/30 SE	22/28 SE	23/28 S	20/26 SE	24/31 SW
600	22/28 SE	23/31 SE	28/36 SE	22/28 SE	18/24 SE	16/21 SE	14/21 S	13/20 S	16/22 S
300	1/21 E	6/25 E	7/28 E	5/19 E	3/15 E	2/13 SE	3/16 SE	3/13 SE	5/21 SW
Glen	12/22 E	16/27 E	18/28 E	13/22 E	12/21 E	10/21 SE	8/20 SE	10/18 SE	9/20 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-1/-10	-1/-10	-0/-9	2/-6	4/-3	4/-2	4/-2	4/-1	4/-2
900	-0/-9	-0/-9	0/-8	2/-4	4/-2	5/-0	5/-1	5/-0	5/-1
600	2/-4	2/-4	3/-3	5/0	6/2	7/3	6/3	7/3	7/3
300	2/1	3/0	4/1	4/2	6/5	7/6	7/6	8/6	8/6
Glen	6/3	6/2	7/3	8/6	10/7	10/8	10/9	11/9	10/9
Freezing Level*	900m	1200m	2100m	2100m	2000m	2000m	1900m	1900m	1900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing further to add.

Forecast for Sunday 19 Nov 2023
Weather: Outbreaks of rain and drizzle overnight. Mostly cloudy and overcast during daylight hours with outbreaks of rain and drizzle. A few drier and bright spells possible around Ben Wyvis and most sheltered east.

Maximum wind: West or Southwest 10 to 15mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% in the west, 50% in the east in the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud, base 300 to 600m, perhaps lifting 600 to 900m in the east during the afternoon. Visibility often moderate or poor, and very poor at height, but good at times in the east.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 to 11 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 3 to 5 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits

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